



# Skyline Unveils Tuscany Village

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**O**n May 19, 2009, FRPO member Skyline Apartment REIT officially unveiled the revitalization of its Tuscany Village apartments in St. Catharines, Ontario.

The two buildings on Vine Street that make up Tuscany Village, comprising 185 units, were originally constructed in 1965 and were in need of significant upgrades when Skyline acquired the property two years ago.

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*His Worship Brian McMullan,  
Mayor of St. Catharines*

Today, the buildings offer a remarkable level of quality and comfort for the tenants, with high-end refurbishment of the lobby, suites, landscaping and new elevators. Newly tiled floors, pristine laundry facilities and new windows provide tenants with a feeling of superior workmanship throughout.

The total investment of over \$4 million demonstrates a certain audacity on the part of Skyline. At a time when the



rental market is being impacted by job losses and economic uncertainty, Skyline's investment is paying off as residents see the value in renting in an upscale community.

A perfect example are Ludovit and Gabriela Izakovic, who recently sold their house to move into the renewed Tuscany Village.

*"The quality of our rental apartment is beautiful, like a condominium", said Mr. Izakovic. "It's close to everything and good for walking, everything we need is close-by"*

Skyline helped make the Izakovics feel especially welcome by drawing their name as the winners of 12-rent free months, part of a promotional campaign.

The Mayor of St. Catharines, Brian McMullan, was on hand to help with the official ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the grand opening of Tuscany Village. "We are delighted to see a new company providing quality accommodations in St. Catharines", said Mayor McMullan. "Skyline's investment in repairs and renovations has also helped provide local jobs, while providing tenants with a feeling of quality and value." 🏡